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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| | : | Examiner: M. S. Sahle |
| HIROSHI MATSUDA, ET AL. |) | |
| | : | Group Art Unit: 2873 |
| Application No.: 10/552,996 |) | |
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and in further response to the final Office Action dated December 24, 2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: